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## WESTERN MARYLAND WILL OPEN HELEN'S RUN SPUR MONDAY

Initial Train Entering Fairmont Tomorrow Will Have Fifty Coal Cars.

FAIRMONT, Sept. 2.—It became known here this week that unless the trainmen's strike interferes with the plans of President Gary, of the Western Maryland railroad, the first train of that road will arrive in Fairmont Monday morning and thereafter Western Maryland service will be a regular thing in this district. This will be a very great relief in the coal freight situation. The initial train will consist of a Western Maryland locomotive and fifty coal cars. The train will go direct to the Helen's run branch of the Western Maryland road and coal from the Ida May and Carolina mines will be taken out for shipment to tide-water by way of Connettsville and the Western Maryland main line.

**Undertaker Builds Funeral Car.**  
Undertaker R. L. Cunningham is now the possessor of a handsome automobile funeral car built after his own design and pattern. Mr. Cunningham secured a Packard motor truck and engine and had built under his own direction in this city, the car which is a handsome affair. The car was used in a funeral held recently in this city and attracted considerable attention.

**Brakes Refuse to Work.**  
When the brakes on a shifting engine refused to work Wednesday at Mannington the engine backed into the bakery of William Goodings and almost demolished the building and injured the baker.

**Brakeman Killed.**  
J. L. Haney, aged 22, brakeman on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, was struck and killed by a train Wednesday night near Underwood.

**To Secure River Transportation.**  
Plans are on foot among local business men to secure an efficient packet service on the Monongahela river between this city and Pittsburgh in case the threatened railroad strike materializes. Meetings toward this end have been held and plans made for boats to run on the river between these two points.

**Marion County Convention.**  
The Marion County Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention was held in this city on Tuesday of this week, the sessions being held in the First Baptist church. Resolutions were passed endorsing woman's suffrage. The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Elizabeth Toothman, Fairview.  
Vice president—Mrs. J. Engle, Fairmont.  
Recording secretary—Mrs. Angie Charlton, Mannington.  
Corresponding secretary—Mrs. Katherine McChesney, Fairview.  
Treasurer—Mrs. O. C. Phillips, Fairmont.  
Superintendents—Evangelistic, Mrs. N. E. Green, Fairview; literature, Mrs. Nellie Meneer, Fairmont; Sunday school, Mrs. E. S. Amos, Fairmont.

foreign speaking people, Mrs. Hugh Wilson, Fairmont; flower missions, Mrs. P. B. Swearingen; fairs and open air meetings, Mrs. Emma Jacobs, Fairmont; franchise and legislation, Mrs. Ida Hall, Fairview; scientific temperance instruction, Mrs. Gladys Wallis, Fairview; anti-narcotics, Mrs. S. E. Miller, Fairmont; medical contest, Mrs. Stella Wilson, Fairview; penal and reform, Mrs. Ida Bowman.

**Young Woman Dies.**  
Miss Wanda Bennett, aged 24 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett, of this city, died Monday at the home of her grandparents at Mountville after an illness of tuberculosis. Miss Bennett was up to the time of her illness head operator of the Bell telephone exchange. The funeral took place Wednesday at Mountville.

**Wins Prize.**  
Mrs. B. R. Reed, of this city, was awarded the prize of \$5 offered by the Political Equality Club of this city, for the prettiest flower bed grown from the suffrage seed distributed this spring.

**Barns Obsequies.**  
The funeral of Mrs. Clara Eyster Barns, widow of Newton S. Barns, whose death occurred last Saturday, took place Monday afternoon from her late residence on Fairmont avenue and interment was made in Woodlawn cemetery. Mrs. Barns was 85 years old and her death occurred after a year of invalidism. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Rosalie Fleming, Mrs. Jennie McClary, Mrs. Maggie Rogers and Mrs. A. Howard Fleming, and one son, Glenn F. Barns, cashier of the National Bank of Fairmont.

**Cady Funeral.**  
The body of Mrs. Catherine Cady, aged 80, widow of Martin Cady, whose death occurred Saturday at her home at Watson, was taken to Clarksburg Tuesday morning, where services were held from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, after which interment was made there in Holy Cross cemetery.

**Marion County Teachers Institute.**  
Four hundred teachers were in attendance at the county institute held in the Miller school building this week. Homer C. Toothman, county superintendent, conducted the institute. Mrs. Florence Corman, of Little Rock, Ark., a national suffrage worker addressed the institute Monday evening.

**Nuzum Reunion.**  
The fourth annual reunion of the Nuzum family will be held in this city at Loop park Wednesday, September 6.

**Executive Committee Meets.**  
The Marion county executive committee of the woman's suffrage organization, of which Miss Margaret McKinney, of this city, is chairman, held an important meeting in this city on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Adella Potter, a national suffrage speaker, addressed the meeting.

**Social and Personal.**  
Mrs. Houston Goff Young and son,

Chesney, and Mrs. James Chesney, of Charleston, are guests of Attorney and Mrs. Tusca Morris, of this city.  
Misses Irene Davis and Marie Shuttlesworth have returned from a two weeks visit in Pittsburgh.  
Mrs. F. S. Robinson, of Rhineclander, Wis., is a guest of Mrs. Josephine Haymond in this city.  
Mrs. J. L. Hall and Mrs. T. T. Houtt have returned from a visit to New York City and Kingston N. Y.  
Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Watson have returned from a two months' stay at Atlantic City.

Misses Dorcas and Nelle Prichard have returned from a visit to New York, Boston and Philadelphia.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hutchinson motored here Friday from Logan and are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hutchinson.  
Mrs. John R. Bennett and daughter, Miss Amelia, and Miss Mary Margaret Talbot have returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett at Greensburg, Pa.

Honoring Misses Mary Dittio and Addie Faulstich, of Louisville, Ky., who are guests of Mrs. F. J. Bury in this city, Mrs. Edwin Robinson entertained Tuesday afternoon with a pretty appointed auction bridge party. Out of town guests present were Mrs. D. C. Gallier, of Charleston; Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Miss Stella Bussing, of Cincinnati; Miss Anna McElagh and Miss Mae Bennis, of Philadelphia, and the Misses Zell, of Birmingham, Ala.

Miss Mariani Rock entertained at a Tuesday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rock. Covers were laid for fourteen guests. Miss Rock left the last of the week for a visit at Greensburg, Pa.

Mrs. Bussing and daughter, Miss Stella, of Cincinnati, O., are guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. George T. Watson at "Rosedell".  
Messdames Henry S. Lively and Husted Brownfield were hostesses at the country club Thursday at the regular club day observance. A dinner dance featured the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. F. Robertson have returned from a motor trip to Atlantic City and Mountain Lake Park, Md.

Mrs. Bert S. Leopold and daughter, Marjorie, left Friday for a visit at Wheeling and Cleveland, O.

Mrs. Edgar Carver, of Rowlesburg, is a guest of Mrs. James Thompson.

Miss Katherine Arnett was hostess Wednesday evening at the summer bungalow of her parents, T. W. Arnett, at a pretty appointed dinner party.

Mrs. W. J. Wright and daughter, of Cumberland, and Miss Minnie Simon, of Washington, D. C., who had been guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Simon have returned to their homes.

Mrs. W. J. Wiegand has returned from a visit in Pittsburgh, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. William Moulds, and her sister, Mrs. H. B. Shallanbarger. Her daughter, Miss Mary Hunter, spent the last two weeks as a guest of Miss Betty Brown, at North Hill, and returned here the latter part of the week.

Misses Hazel and Edith Frey and Miss Carol Powell have returned from a visit at Coraopolis and Pittsburgh, Pa.

Arthur Frey, Miss Callie Frey and Merle Amos motored to Pittsburgh and accompanied them home.

Mrs. Clarence Bloom and Mrs. Augusta Stambagen attended the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Lutheran church at Westernport, Md., this week.

Miss Harriet Peck has returned from a visit at Zanesville, O.

Mrs. C. O. Henry and Mrs. E. W. Seiler had as their guests this week Mrs. A. H. Clark, of Chevy Chase, Md.; Mrs. Florence Horner of Lumberton; Mrs. Elizabeth Herring, of Kingwood and Miss Ethel Shafer, of Gladysville.

Miss Mildred Chase, who had been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. Worth Fleming, of this city, left Tuesday for her home at Albion, Mich. Miss Marie Boehm, who will attend school in Michigan, accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Snider and Miss Jessie Heger left Tuesday for a visit to Niagara Falls, Buffalo and Cleveland, O.

Miss Sadie Lloyd has returned from a visit at Jenkins, Ky.

Miss Edith Pickett, of Richmond, Calif., who had been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Amos, in this city, is visiting relatives at Keyser and Berkeley Springs before returning to California.

Misses Ruth Phillips and Josephine Ogden have returned from Deer Park, N. Y., where they had been guests at a house party given by John Warder at the summer home of Col. John T. McGraw.

Mrs. Levi B. Harr and children have returned from Mountain Lake Park, where they had spent the summer. Mr. Harr motored to the park and accompanied them home.

Misses Nettie Martin, Bess, Edith and Lena Hunsaker have returned from a motor trip to Farmington, Pa., and Frostburg, Md.

Mrs. J. E. McCoy left this week for a visit at Berkeley Springs and Twin Branch and Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sheridan left this week for a visit with relatives at Buckeystown, Md.

Miss Genevieve Race, of Cleveland, O., who had been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Bernard Lee Hutchinson, of Cincinnati, who is spending the summer with Mr. Hutchinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hutchinson, left Monday for her home.

Miss Martha Gail, of Philadelphia, is a guest of Misses Hallie and Annie Martin, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Snider and daughters, Misses Josephine and Pauline, their son, Aubrey, and Miss Florence LeMasters left this week for Terra Alta, where they will reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Linn have returned from a wedding journey to Niagara Falls, Buffalo and points in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hite and daughter left Wednesday in their touring car for a visit to Washington, D. C., and Gettysburg, Pa.

Misses Nellie Bartley and Helen Smith, of Beaver, Pa., have returned to their homes after a visit in this city.

Mrs. Harry Hood, of Clarksburg, is a guest of relatives in this city.

The marriage of Miss Katherine Box of Parkersburg, formerly of this city, and Frederick Clinton Daniels, of Wheeling, took place at Wheeling on Saturday, September 2. Miss Rex is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Rex, of this city, and was employed in the office of United States Marshall C. E. Smith at Parkersburg.

Thomas Arnett entertained a number of friends at his summer bungalow "Westwood" on the Valley river Tuesday at dinner, honoring the forty-eighth anniversary of his birth. Covers were laid for Mrs. L. N. and D. L. York, C. E. Hutchinson, E. M. Showalter, W. H. Billingsley, C. H. Jenkins and U. N.

## GUNMEN DUEL TO DEATH IN CHEAP SALOON

Through Mirror Man Gets the Drop on One of His Ancient Enemies.

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Frank Carney, just three-quarters of a second quicker on the trigger, whanged away five times with his automatic and when he slid through the door of "Jim" O'Leary's gambling place with a fleeing glance over his shoulder, Michael McDonough, doughty gunman, was sprawled on the floor dead.

It was a gun fight de luxe in "Jim" O'Leary's gambling palace de luxe and it wreaked a vengeance de luxe for a certain knife wound that Carney has been nursing ever since McDonough sunk his blade when they fought months ago at Root and Halsted streets.

**The Stage Scenery.**  
It was around 6 o'clock. The huge electric bulb "O'Leary" that blazes the way for the prodigal son and the gun fighter, the gambler, the dip, the yegg, the disappearing bank teller, and the handbook fan, had just got under good headway.

Carney dropped in. He is twenty-six, quick of eye, lightning on the draw, about the size of a dancing teacher. He was going easy. "Mike" McDonough, fifty-five, a gnarled oak of the gun fighters, had "fixed" Carney with a knife blade only a short few months back. Carney told the police to "never mind" who did it.

"When it comes time I'll just pass sentence on that guy," he told them. So he waited for the wound to heal. Carney was feeling right part. He ordered a glass of dark domestic, and he kept his eye peeled on the mirror that reflects deacon and dub alike in the palace of the O'Leary. No need to look at the door. The mirror would serve.

**Notches in His Gun.**  
McDonough was a watchman in the plant at Libby, McNeil and Libby, in the yards. He had notches in the rubber sidepiece of his gun. As much as five years ago he was held in esteem as a "bad actor" when he was in the saloon business with "Red" Belmont at Root and South Halsted streets. It seems the firm of McDonough and Belmont did not garner the substance of men in needful quantities and they went broke.

McDonough felt badly about the failure. He told Belmont somebody must be at fault. Then he shot a few holes through Belmont and Belmont died, and McDonough was acquitted. Maybe it was Belmont's fault the business waned.

But back to O'Leary's—Carney sipped his beer. Frank Bledsoe, the bartender, breathed on a whisky glass and wiped it thoughtfully on his immaculate apron. A half a dozen patrons stood observing themselves in the back bar mirror to see if they had grown older. The door opened. The men at the bar turned to see who entered. Carney didn't. He had already seen through the mirror.

McDonough was pretty quick. He drew his gun and fired four times. But long before this he had five bullets in his body. Carney was up Halsted street a mile.

Large quiet fell about the mirrored, mahogany, iron bound, police-proof, raid-proof palace of the O'Leary. "Keep 'er mum," said the bartender out of the corner of his mouth. And it was an hour before the police knew whether to believe it murder or suicide.

## WEALTH CENSUS IS TARGET OF REPUBLICANS

Publicity Bureau Hints at Unfair Tax Valuation; Picks Errors in Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 2.—Charges of inaccuracy in some of the most important statistics of the census prepared under the direction of William J. Harris, director of the census after the enforced resignation of E. Dana Durand by the Wilson administration, have been made by the Republican publicity association.

"Soon after his appointment Harris selected Starke M. Grogan, also of Georgia, as his chief statistician," the association says. "It is generally understood that approximately half the special agents employed by Mr. Harris were from Georgia."

"In their summary of the tax laws of Georgia they said that 'The ordinary definitions of real and personal property prevail.'"

**Errors in Report on Georgia.**  
"They give the real estate valuation in Georgia as \$431,329,671, which is exactly the same as given by the controller general of Georgia, but the latter includes the value of the lands and buildings of cotton factories, iron works and mines as 'personal property,' whereas in other states, where the ordinary definitions prevail, these classes of property would be included in real estate."

"The statistics given by Harris and Grogan are, therefore, useless for comparison with other states, and the statement that the ordinary definitions of real property prevail is inaccurate and misleading."

"In statistics regarding the relation between assessed valuations and true valuations of taxed real estate, Arnett, Jr., Mrs. D. C. Gallier, of Charleston, is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Stockly, of this city.

the Harris report says that the ratios used in computing true values were obtained from state reports, except for sixteen states.

**Virginia and New York.**  
"Two states may be taken for illustration. One of these is Virginia, for which the census statistics give the ratio between assessed and true values as 66.3 per cent. This ratio gives the true value as \$1,000,000,000, whereas the report of the Virginia joint committee on tax revision shows values in 1912-1913 to have been \$1,427,999,999, or \$366,999,999 more than shown by the census bureau."

"The ratio for New York, asserted to have been taken from a state report, is given as 66.7 per cent, which would give New York a true valuation of \$1,331,100,000. However, the report of the New York board of tax commissioners for 1913 states the ratio as 87.14 per cent, giving a true value of \$1,055,999,999, or \$245,000,000 less than given by the census bureau ratio."

**Taxes Unfairly Proportioned?**  
"The fact that southern valuations were understated and northern valuations overstated might lead to the inference that an inordinate proportion of the tax burden is placed upon the North and the South is relieved of its proper share. The more charitable view, however, is that lack of experience allowed these errors to enter the report."

"It is difficult to comprehend how this character of work could be made the basis for the appointment of Mr. Harris to the federal trade commission."

## POLITICAL FIGHT IN WISCONSIN A HOT ONE

Broadsides of Argument Are Thundering throughout the State.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 2.—Wisconsin's political battle royal waxes warmer each day, probably in sympathy with the thermometer, as the primary election, Tuesday, approaches. Aspirants for state offices are having a hammer and tongs time of it, the like of which never has been seen in this state, considering the large number in the field.

The old time two-sided primary or caucus contests are held to be tame compared with the broadsides of argument and invective which are now thundering in the hills and valleys to smite the ear of the sturdy yeomanry, who are expected to "figger out" where they are going to stand by September 5.

None of the senatorial or gubernatorial principals has been heard to complain about the small attendance at political meetings, they evidently being satisfied that those hearers who do turn out are making fair hot weather crowds.

There does not appear to be much disposition among any of the stumpers to claim the palm for the largest or most enthusiastic audiences. There is a noticeable disposition among voters carefully to weigh the statements of all the candidates.

**Jeffris and La Follette.**  
Jeffris and La Follette are waging a historic campaign for United States senator. The Jamesville man had the earlier start and virtually has been campaigning since the first of the year. La Follette has been under way only about a fortnight.

While the Jeffris men do not claim that their candidate has La Follette on the run, they do point out that he has been put upon the defensive for the first time in his campaigning, and that he is being kept exceedingly busy explaining he is a Republican, after all, even though he voted for the Underwood tariff and other Wilson measures.

The candidates for senator and for governor and other state offices will nearly all spend the last few days of campaigning in Milwaukee county. This will be at the home stretch, and part of this week and nearly all of next week the fight will be centered in Milwaukee and its environs.

**Wallow in Figures.**  
Governor Philipp and former Governor F. E. McGovern are attracting the most attention in the left handed compliments they are passing each other regarding their respective administrations. Mr. Hutton keeps right on talking, but so far appears to have failed to elicit any great enthusiasm for his candidacy.

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## Touche Off Dynamite Concealed in Pocket

Blows Himself to Pieces and Very Seriously Injures Another Man.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 2.—A man walked leisurely into the grove, at Fifteenth street and Benton boulevard, took a seat on one end of a bench near the northwest corner of the park and mopped perspiration from his forehead. Then he dried the sweatband of his hat with his handkerchief, replaced it on his head, threw his coat over the back of the bench between himself and a man occupying the other end, and crammed his hands down into his trousers pockets.

A few minutes later an explosion of dynamite secreted in the front part of his clothing rocked the park, and the man's body was blown to pieces. Parts of it were picked up later one hundred feet away. A fuse was found ten feet away from the bench. The coroner and police believe it was suicide.

The victim was Richard Mullins, 52 years old, brother of W. C. Mullins of the W. C. Mullins Construction Company. He formerly was a member of that firm, but retired five years ago.

Croquet players, fifteen feet away, and a dozen young girls lying in the grass ten feet distant, noticed nothing irregular in the actions of the victim when he turned off of Fifteenth street and dropped into his seat. The only person who saw him was P. R. Thomas, a carpenter temporarily out of employment, whose home is in Kennedy, Tex. He was the man on the other end of the bench.

"I was half asleep when he came up and sat down," Thomas said at the police station, "and I looked around and saw some fellow had taken the other end. Then I put my head back on my hand and dozed off again. Five or six minutes later an awful crash came. The bench telescoped like straw and I was hurled twenty feet. I saw leaves falling from the trees from the vibration, and grass and earth were torn for several feet around the bench. Something had struck me in the back, and when I looked around—"

"The man didn't say a word," Thomas continued. "He had his nerve to come there and touch off that much dynamite right where I was sitting and where dozens of others were endangered."

It is believed the explosion was effected by a shrewdly constructed instrument which Mullins concealed in

his trousers pocket, connecting with the cap and fuse leading to a stick of dynamite.  
Mullins' wife died two years ago. Since that time he had worried constantly. His health also depressed him, friends and relatives said, and it is probable his mind became affected.

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